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1. In late 1950 the North Korean government selected 5,000 physically fit young men from 17 to 25 years of age, who had graduated from middle school, for training in the air force. Originally the period of training was to be three years, but in 1951 it was shortened to three or four months.
2. Training airfields in Manchuria in 1951 were at Lungching (N 42-47, E 129-26), Yenchi, and Kirin. There was also an airfield called Bansok,<sup>1</sup> in Kirin Province.
3. In early 1951 at Lungching there were about ten training planes of the YAK-9, YAK-11, and YAK-18 type. There were no hangars at Lungching and the concrete runway was about 100 by 800 meters. The use of this field was reserved for the North Korean air force, as was the Bansok field.

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